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~~Women~~ Fall River, Mass.
1852-1885
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YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS
FOR NEW ENGLAND

"A. first day School association formed today - Lord grant that it may be conducted in Thy Truth"

Copied from the diary of Joseph Estes

Sept. 19, 1852.

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At a Meeting of Friends and others, favorable to the establishment of a "School on the first day of the week for instruction in the Holy Scriptures" held at the house of L. C. Anthony on the evening of the 19th — the subject was taken into consideration, with a view to the formation or organization of its friends into a Society for its advancement. After a free interchange of opinion among those present, in which much unity of feeling and sentiment prevailed, and a determination manifested that a School should be maintained, the following was adopted as a suitable plan of organization —

"Believing that the establishment of a School on the first day of the week for instruction in the "Holy Scriptures", would be highly advantageous to those participating therein, as well as to the Society at large; — and believing that in order to carry forward the same successfully, the unlimited and harmonious exertions and influence of all its friends are necessary; the undersigned, Members of the Society of Friends and others, for aiding most efficiently the purposes

above named, do unite themselves by and under the name of the "First day School Association", with officers chosen annually, consisting of a Clerk, Treasurer, Librarian and Superintendent, who shall perform all the duties usually pertaining to such offices. Meetings of the Association to be held on the ~~last~~ * fifth day even of each Month, at such times as may be hereafter designated —

Our friends Rich Mitchell. Ellis Griffith. Obadiah S. Tripp and Charles O'Neal were named for Superintendent, Treasurer, Librarian and Clerk, which meeting the approbation of those present, they were appointed to those stations respectively —

It is concluded that all books used in the School shall belong to the Society under charge of the Librarian

The clerk was directed to procure 2 Doz of books from Phila styled "Scripture Questions" And 1 Doz of the "Childs Question Book"

The subject of a fund to meet the wants of the Society claiming our attention, and the propriety of a Subscription for that purpose thereupon

* Last

advisers, our friends Wm Chas. Sand Gifford
Susan A Gifford, and C. A. Shord were ap-
-pointed a Committee to receive the contributions
of the friends of the above, and report their
doings to an adjourned meeting —
It being suggested that possibly quite a number
of books could be procured from the "Trustees
of the O'Brien fund" as a foundation for
a library, our friend Ellis Gifford was re-
-quested to address them on the subject and
report,
The clerk was instructed to procure a
suitable book for recording the doings of the
Association —

Adjourned to meet at the house
of Elizabeth Shord at the usual time at
7½ o'clock —

Chas O. Shord clerk —

Members of the "First day School Association"

Richard Mitchell
Chas O. Shove
Elisha Gifford
Samuel Gifford
Jacob H Vining
Earl Chace
Joseph C. Anthony
Wm Chace
Joseph Estes —
Mark Anthony
Benjamin Shove
Joseph A. Estes.
James Estes

Elizabeth Shove
Philena Chace
Lydia Mitchell
Abby C Gifford
Lavina L Chace
Susan A. Gifford
Joseph Dudley
Eunice Estes
Elizabeth B. Shove
Thebe S Anthony
Thebe Chace
Elizabeth S. Anthony.
Eliza Hall.
Lucy W. Vining
Maria Buffington
Parthenia Underwood
Phebe Robinson
Sarah S Earle
Rachel E. Shove.
A. A. Dillingham
Mary L. Buffington
Huldah Gifford

Clark Shove

Pursuant to adjournment a Meeting of the first day school Association was held at the house of Elizabeth Shoemaker on fifth day evening the 29th of 9th Mo – 1852 – Present 18 Members

Ellis Griffith from the Com. appointed to obtain books from the "Trustees of the Brown fund" reported that they had not books in their hands –
The Com. on Subscriptions reported satisfactory progress and were further continued – They were requested to pay into the Treasury the amount collected –

Adjourned to meet at the house of Ellis Griffith's on fifth day evening the 14th of 10 Mo. 1852,

Chas. O. Shoemaker Clerk

Pursuant to adjournment a Meeting of the First day School Association was held at the house of Ellis Cliffford on 5th day morn of the 14th of 10mo. 1852 — Present Six Members & the Clerk being absent, Samel Cliffford was appointed for the morn. Samel Cliffford on behalf of the committee on Collections reported that the Sum of 30 45/100 dollars had been collected and paid over to the Treasurer.
Adjourned, to meet at the house of E. Cliffford on 5th day morn of the 21st, 10mo, 1852

Samel Cliffford clerk
pro tem —

Fifth day morn of the 21st,
Met according to adjournment
Present 16 Members. The Clerk being again absent Samel Cliffford was appointed for the morn. — Ellis Cliffford, Joseph Otis, Earl Chard, Abby C. Cliffford, Elizabeth Shoo and Sydia Mitchell was appointed a Committee to consult with the Members of this Superation Meeting to see if there is any objection to placing a Book case in the South west corner of the Women's part of our Meeting House

and if they find no objection they are desired to procure a Book and Liquor to accommodate a Library for the Friends First day School and report the expense of the same when accomplished — It is concluded to purchase for the use of the First day School — 1 Dz Chinn Script. 1 Book 1 Dz Barnards Infant Series No 1 — 1 Dz of do do No 2. 1 Package Cards 1 Dz Primers for children & 1 Dz Toy Books —

Adjourned to meet at the House of S. Griffins on 5th day even of the 28th of 10 Mo —

Saml Griffin Clerk

for the occ

Fifth day even of the 28th —

Met according to adjournment — Present 15 Members — The Clerk being absent Saml Griffin was appointed for the occ.

It is concluded that our First Day School commence its sittings at 1/4 oclock instead of 2 oclock —

Saml L. Chard — Clerk. Chord —

Clark Shord. Rachel C. Shord.
Daniel Gifford. Susan A Gifford
Stephen Shord. Elizabeth A Shord
Elizabeth Shord. Agnes S. Tripp
Elizabeth S. Anthony. Elizabeth. Slade
Elizabeth Griffin Wm F. Mitchell
Caroline Chard Ann L. Buffington
Joseph A Chase Lewis Chase and
Thomas Slade.

And appointed A. Teacher
for the First days School and and expected
to read when called upon by the
Superintendent

Adjourned to meet at the
house of Ed. Chard on 8th day next the
11th of the 11th Month

Daniel Gifford Clerk
pro tem

Fifth day morning the 11th of 11th mo. —

The Association Met pursuant to adjournment Present 18 Members — The Minutes of the last Meeting was read and approved — For the information of those present the plan of organization was read at this time and names added to the list of Members — Chas. O Hood from the Committee appointed for that purpose reported that he had obtained the Q. Books ordered.

The subject of a library claiming the attention of the Association at this time, after a free interchange of opinion, the whole matter was left to the following named friends to act as in their wisdom seem best and report — Rich Mitchell, Jos Evans, J. H. Lippincott, Edmund Chace, Elis Griffen, Samuel L. Chace, Thos Chace, Francis Evans, E. B. Chace and Maria Griffen — And the Members of this Association are earnestly requested to lend their aid in carrying forward the object in view —

Adjourned, to meet at the house of J.
M. Thing at the usual time —

Chas O Thorp Clk.

Fifth day morn of the 25th of 11 Mo.

The Association met this morn at the place
assigned, Present 20 members — The Minutes
of the last Meeting were read and approved
The Committee on the Library partially
reported that they had partially attended
to the duties assigned them and procured
a number of books for examination —
After consideration the whole matter was
again referred back to the committee —
Adjourned, to meet at the house of
Wm Thorp this morn.

Chas O Thorp Clk.

See next page.

Fifth day morn the 30th of 12 mo —

Association met pursuant to adjournment,
Present 17 members — The minutes of the
last meeting were read and approved.

The Supt is requested to report at any time minutes the state of the School & the number of Scholars attending — Adjourned to meet at the house of Joseph Ellis at the usual time

Saml Gifford Clk
for the mo —

Fifth day morng 9th of 12 mo —

Met pursuant to adjournment — Found 19 Members — Minutes of last meeting read and approved — Read from and of the trustees of the O Brown fund two copies of the Bible for the use of the School — Adjourned to meet at the house of Chas Chace at the usual time

Chas Otis Clk —

See last page —

Fifth day morn 27th of 12 mo 1850.

The Associates met pursuant to adjournment present 20 Members — Saml Gifford appointed Clerk for the morn —

Read from the Supt the following report,

"The Supt of Friends First-day school reports
That for the first quarter commencing
the 19th of 9mo. 52 the school has been
regularly kept and the average no of scholars
has been about 44 — and the largest no
at any time 52 — Good order has been
maintained and a large share of interest
manifested by the Teachers, Scholars & Parents;
the hour of meeting has been pretty well
observed, a little more punctuality in this
respect would be an improvement"
R. Mitchell Supt —
which being satisfactory is ordered to be placed
on our minutes & the Supt is requested to
read the same at our next school —
The Committee on Books reported that a
donation had been received from our friend
Wm Shore, of 12 Testaments which is
acceptable —
The Committee on Collections re-
ported that the sum of $15.60 in addition
to the sum previously reported, had been
collected and paid over to our Treasurer.
The committee appointed to procure a book
case reported that they had attended to this

appointed & find due Cost the sum of $6.00 which our Treasurer is directed to pay —
Adjourned to meet at the house of Samuel Underwood at the usual time
Sam'l Griffith Clk
for this week —

Fifth day and 24th of 2nd mo —

Met at S. Underwoods pursuant to adjournment — Present 15 members —
Then being no business — to adjourn to meet at R. Mitchells at the usual time —
Chas Osborn Clk —

Fifth day 31st of 3mo —

At a meeting of the Fifth day Select Association held at Richard Mitchells the Clerk being absent Ellis Griffith was appointed Clerk for the time —
Present 11 members
A report was presented from our Committee on Books &c — Read from the Executive Book of the estate of Amy late deceased

Friends Abram Sherman Jr of New Bedford
Books — Abel Thomas, Edward Burrough.
Edward Sacred History
Friends Catechising 2 Vol —
Selections from Isaac Penington 4 Vol
John Ordonary Journal 4 Copies
No Cross — No Crown
Penningtons Letters
Bowne of Religion
Friends of Rich. Davis
Life of David B —
From Elizabeth Shipley
Conversations for Youth 2 Copies
Elizabeth Collins
Infidelity Portrayed
Wm Turner
Youthful Piety
From Joseph Estaw
Kendalls Letters
Letters of John Thorp
Sand Mead

which are accepted, and it is under to with our grateful acknowledgements & the Clerk is requested to present to Wm C. Taber our respects of the gift, and thanking him for

this valuable token of his regard
Adjourned to meet at the house of Richard
Mitchell at the usual time
Ellis Clifford Clk
pro tem—

At a meeting of Friends Association held at Wm Evans 28th of 4th mo. 1806.
the clerk being absent Job Cortis was appointed Clk pro tem—
Present 13 members
The Committee on Books, are intended to present at half days a neat Bible for the use of the first day School
The business being concluded, the adjourned to meet at the house of Elizabeth Evans at the usual time—
Joseph Cortis Clk
pro tem—

1st fifth day morn 26th of 8 mo—

Association Met pursuant to adjournment
Seven members present
Business being settled present, it is concluded

to adjourn. to meet at this place on 5 day evening
the 2nd of 6mo—

Chas Offord Clk—

Fifth day evening the 2nd of 6mo—

This Association met at C. Shinn's pursuant
to adjournment— Present 10 members—
The Committee on Books presented one
copy of Memoirs of Marin Fox — also Life
of Wm Allen in two Vol—
The former Librarian resigning Joseph Cohen
is appointed to that office —
adjourned to meet at J. C. Anthony's

J. Clifford Clk
pro tem—

Fifth day evng 30th of 6mo—

At a meeting of the First day School As-
sociation held at the house of J. C. Anthony
the clerk being absent J. Dudley was appointed
for the evng. Present 9 members — After a
free interchange of sentiments respecting the
progress of the School it was concluded

to meet at the house of J. Dudley at the usual time next month—

J. Dudley clerk pro tem

Fifth day morng 28th of 7 mo—

Met pursuant to adjournment at the house of J Dudley— Said Gifford was chosen clerk for the morng— Present 21 members— No business offering for consideration it was concluded to meet at the residence of Ed. Chace at the usual time—

Said Gifford clk pro tem

Fifth day morng 25th of 8 mo—

At a meeting of the First day School Association held at the house of E. Chace J. Dudley was appointed clk in the absence of the regular clk— Present 13 members—

The Supt presented his quarterly report showing the average attendance of scholars

for the first quarter $36.; that of the teachers 6/4 and of visitors 13— which is satisfactory— and the report is ordered to be placed on file, and the Supt is requested to ~~print~~ the report at the next school

Adjourned to meet at the usual time at the house of Ellis Gifford

J. Dudley Clk for the year.

Fifth day morn 29th of 4th mo 1853

The Association met pursuant to adjournment at the house of Ellis Gifford.— Present 18 members—

The time for which the Clerk was appointed expiring was reappointed Clerk for the year ensuing—

The time for which the Supt was appointed expiring and he declining to be reelected on and united in appointing Ellis Gifford to that station for the year ensuing—

The time for which the Treasurer was appointed having expired, we appoint Joseph Evans and Jos E. Gifford to examine and

Settle the Treasurers account and to recommend a suitable person for that office for the year ensuing —

Adjourned to meet at the house of Joseph Estes at the next regular meeting —

Chas. O. Hood Clk

5th day evening 1st mo. 6th 54

The association met pursuant to adj't at the House of J. H. Binning — Present 13 Members.

Joseph Estes on behalf of the Committee appointed for the purpose report, that they had examined the Treasurers a/c and find a bal. in his hands of $5.50 five dollars & fifty Cents, and recommend the name of — Edlis Gifford for Tre'r — which is satisfactory, and he reappointed to that service for the ensuing year.

Rec'd. by Subscription	46.06	P. R. Adams for Books	13.74
" for 2 Bibles sold	.97	" C. C. Stone 2 "	14.35
	$47.03	" for Book Case	6.00
		" J. H. Binning for Books	4.42
Paid for life of W^m Allen & M^r Fox 2.00 — for Wells 1.00			3.00
			41.53

(Over)

Amt. Rec'd. 41.03 — Paid out 41.53

Bal. in Treas — 5.50

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Adj'd. to meet at the house of J. C. Anthony

C. O. Shove Clk

Fifth day eve. 1mo. 26/54

Association met pursuant to adj't at J. C. Anthony's — Present 13 — Members — Samuel Gifford, J. H. Irving, Joseph Estes, William Chace, Philena Chace, Susan Ann Gifford, E. R. Shove & E. S. Anthony are appointed a Committee to solicit the attendance of negligent Scholars & others to our First day School.

Adj'd. to Elizabeth Shove

C. O. Shove Clk

Fifth day eve 2mo. 23/54

Association met pursuant to adj't at E. Shoves — Present 16 Members.

Adj'd. to Meet at the House of Edmund Chace

C. O. Shove Clk

11th day 1mo. 6mo. 29th. 1834

Association Met pursuant to Adj't. — At the House of Wm. Chace — Present 11 Members

The Clerk being absent Joseph Estes is appointed for the evening.

The subject of suspending our First day School during the Summer Months, was introduced at this time and deliberately Considered, and we are united in the belief that such temporary suspension will not in any wise prove detrimental to the daily interest thus far manifested, but in some respects prove beneficial both to Teachers & Scholars. Therefore it is Concluded to suspend said School (after next First day) until the 1st. First day in 10th. mo. next — at which time it is hoped that all Concerned, Continuing to put on abiding interest for the promotion of Truth and Righteousness, will with renewed energy assemble together again as heretofore for the prosecution of so laudable an undertaking.

(Over)

manifested, but that we may all as one Carry forward the Good Work — trusting that we may in after years — reap the Reward.

Ellis Gifford Supt.

Which being read was approved and ordered to be placed on record.

It is the Conclusion of the association to Commence our first day School on next first day 10th. mo. 1st. 1854. (After a Vacation of three Months) in which unanimity was expressed, and an ardent — desire manifested to see the School again in successfull operation.

The time for which the Superintendent was appointed having expired, it is the Conclusion of this Meeting to reappoint Ellis Gifford to that Station for the ensuing year.

It is also Concluded to reappoint Joseph Estes as Librarian for the Coming year.

The Treasurer informa

that the balance of funds remaing in his hands was Two 50/100 dollars ($2,50)

Ellis Gifford is reappointed as Treasurer for the ensuing year

Adj'd to meet at the house of Ellis Gifford at the usual time

Sam'l Gifford
Clerk

Fifth day evening 10m. 26th. 1854

Association met pursuant to adj't Present 11 Members

Resolved Ellis Gifford be appointed to procure samples of Question Books and present at our next Meeting

Adj'd to meet at the House of Phebe Robinson at the usual time

Sam'l Gifford
Clerk

Fifth day evening 11m. 30th. 1854

Association met pursuant to adj't Present 11 Members.

The Committee appointed to procure Question Books not being ready to report, he is continued and desired to report at our next

Meeting.

We Appoint Maria Bruffington and Sam.l Gifford a Committee to — Collect Money to supply our Treasury.

Adj.d to Meet at the house of Leonard Underwood at the usual time

Sam.l Gifford Clk.

3.d day - evening 1.mo 23.d 1833.

Met at the Howse of Leonard Underwood — Present 10 — Members.

Ellis Gifford informed that he had purchased 1/2 dz Scriptiure Question Books for the Old Testement, and two dz Question — Books for Children, Cost of all $ 9.24.

Adj.d to meet at Sam.l Gifords at the usual time

Sam.l Gifford Clk.

5th. day evening 2mo. 22d. 1855 –

Association met pursuant to adjournment. Present 11 Member,

adjd. to meet at the House of Edmund Chace at the usual time

Sam'l. Clifford Clk.

5th. day evening 6mo. 28th/55

Association met at the house of William Chace – Present 14 Members

The subject of adjourning the First day School being considered at this time. It is the Conclusion of those present to adjourn the School (after next first day) until the first, first day in the Ninth Month.

The amt. of $7.00 was Collected at this time & paid over to Ellis Clifford our Treasurer.

Adjd. to meet at the House of Mark Anthony – the last fifth day of the 9th. Mo. at 1/2 past 4 P.M.

Sam'l. Clifford Clk.

5th day evening 9mo. 27th. 1835

Association met at Mark Anthonys persuant to adjt.

Present 10 Members.

The time for which the Clerk was appointed having expired Saml. Gifford was reappointed to that service for the ensuing Year

The Superintendant of the School wishing to be released — Joseph Estes is appointed Superintendant of First day School for the ensuing year.

We reappoint Ellis Gifford as Treasurer & Joseph Estes Librarian for the ensuing year.

Adjd. to meet at William Chaces at the usual time

Saml. Gifford Clk

5th. day morning 10mo. 25/53

Association met pursuant to adjt.

Present 12 members.

Our former Superintendant presented the following report—Viz "In presenting this my third Annual report, it gives me pleasure to state, that good order and sobriety as been observed in the Schools, and for the most of the time the attendance has been Commendable. The School the past year has been attend for nine months, making forty School days. The greatest attendance of Scholars 36—Average 24 1/4 Highest —" " — " Teachers 6 — " 4 1/2 — Visitors 14 Average 6/5 — Not Members 10— Average 7.— It will be observed, that the Average Attendance embraced in the above, is somewhat less, than at our last annual report, but we think that no abatement of interest has been manifested. Those Scholars who have been most regular in their attendance, have made very Commendable progress in the knowledge, & better understanding of the Holy Scriptures It is very observable, that the further they progress

the more ardent & their love for reading & Studying the Sacred Volumn. The teachers deserve much Credit for punctual attendance, & the desire they have manifested to promote the prosperity of the School, by their endeavors to secure good order & interest. They have not neglected the very important requisite of qualifying themselves, that they might the better impart to their Classes that information they desired. The attendance of Visiters has not been so large as would have been desireable. Could friends more generally appreciate how much their presence adds to the interest & encouragement of the School, I think very few would absent themselves from it; We are not without some influence, are we not responsible for the use we make of it? and answerable for its neglect?. In Conclusion let us one & all give our united energies to Carry on the good work so well begun, (a work that some of our Members have set their seale of approval to, with their expiring breath) That in after years we may rejoice in the happy retrospect of duty done, & to see our Labours Crowned with success" — Ellis Gifford — Superintendent.

which is acceptable & ordered to be entered on our minutes.

Adj.d to meet at the House of Joseph Estes at the usual time

Sam.l Gifford Clk

Fifth day evening 11th. 29/55 Met at the House of Joseph Estes pursuant to adj.t Present — 16 Members.

Adj.d to meet at Joseph C. Anthonys at the usual time

Sam.l Gifford Clk

Sixth day evening 12m. 27/55 Met at J. C. Anthonys — Present 11 Members.

Sam.l Gifford informed — that there had been $1.43 paid to him by Members of the first-day School for the — purpose of procuring Bibles, which amt had been paid over to Ellis Gifford.

Adj.d to Meet at Ellis Giffords at the usual time

Sam.l Gifford Clk

4th day evening 1mo 31/56

Association
Met pursuant to adjt — Present 16 Members
adjd to meet at Leonard Underwoods at
the usual time.

Sam'l Gifford Clk

4th day evening 2 mo 28/56

Association —
Met pursuant to adjt — Present 11 Members
adjd to meet at Joseph Estes at the —
usual time.

Sam'l Gifford Clk

4th day evening 4 mo 26/56

Association
Met at J. C. Anthony's — Present 7 Members
adjd to meet at usual time
Next Month.

5th. day eveg 6mo. 26/56

Association Met
at J. C. Anthonys — Present 10 Members
It is the Conclusion of this
Meeting to adjourn our First day School
after next first day, for three Months,
Commencing again on the first first day
in 10th. Mo. next.

Adj'd. to meet at Mark
Anthonys on the last fifth day evening
in 9mo. next at 1/2 after 7 P.M.

Sam'l Gifford
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5th. day eveg 9th. mo. 25/56

Association — Met
at Mark Anthonys pursuant to Adj't. —
Present 9 Members

The present being our Annuall Meeting
it is proposed & united with, that the —
Officers of last year be reappointed for the
ensuing Year — Viz — for Superintendent Joseph
Estes, Treasurer Ellis Gifford, Librarian Jo.
Estes, Clerk Sam'l Gifford —

The Superintendent
not being ready to make his Annuall
— over —

report at this time, he is desired to present one at our next Meeting

Adj't to meet at Ellis Yeffords at the usual time.

Sam'l Yeffords Clk

5th day eve 10mo 30/56

Association met at Ellis Yeffords pursuant to adj't

Present 8 Members,

The Superintendent presented the following report — Viz — "The First day School progressed regularly from its Commencement in 10mo last year without any interruption (except in two instances) one on account of very inclemat weather, the other in Consequence of a Funeral occuring at the same time and place) for a period of 36 weeks, at which time in keeping with our usual practice the School was adjourned through the Warm Weather; to Commence again on the 1st first day in 10th Mo 1856. The average attendance of —

Scholars who are Members of Friends Society — 16

" — " are not — " — " — " — 4 1/4

Teachers 4, Visitors — — 5

In regard to the Character of the School I think it proper to State, that the general deportment of Teachers & Pupils has been — Commendable, and also those who have attended as Visitors — evincing in a good degree a heart-felt interest in the promotion of such institutions, and the acquisition of that kind of Knowledge, which through the operation of the Spirit of Truth on the Mind; prepares us, not only to understand aright Gospel Truths, but also enables the whole Man, calling him forth to the exercise of all those Christian duties which our Heavenly Father sees meet to put upon us, May our Hope & Faith in God & in Christ our Redeemer be strengthened, and our small efforts to do good, and the sacrifices attendent thereon, be offered with that Christian simplicity, which on Retrospection may find to the satisfaction & peace of our Minds,

The Librarian informs that there has been 3 New Bibles added to the Library the past Year — it Consists now of about 154 Vol. the Most of which are Publications of high order & well worth the serious & attentive

perusal of every sober Mind, there are several Vol.s worn out — some two of which the Librarians can not account for.

A few more Bibles are required for the use of the School."

Joseph Estes Supert.

Which is satisfactory & ordered to be record-ed.

Adj.d to meet at Jas. Estes's at the usual time

Saml. Gifford Clerk

5th day — 11mo. 27/56

Present 3 Members

Adj.d to meet at the same place next Month

Saml. Gifford

Clerk

1862 Finland first Day School
4-24 Association - met at the House
of Joseph C. Newton — — — —
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

Friend First-Day School [illegible]
[illegible] at the house
of [illegible] C Austin

Ellis Gifford was chosen Clerk

James Newton & Ellis Gifford were
Chosen Superintendents for
the year ensuing

Charles E. Gifford was chosen
Librarian for ensuing time

Elizabeth Underwood was chosen
Assistant Librarian

Report of Treasurer that
the Amount of funds on hand is

23$ Ellis Gifford was chosen Treasurer
for the
ensuing year

Agreement 17 Ellis Gifford
Appointed at the call of Superintendent

Fifth Day Evening 19th March 1866 –

Met at the House of Joseph C Anthony pursuant to adjournment –

The Clerk called the Meeting to order and read the 12th Chapter of Ecclesiastes –

J. B. Anthony was re-appointed Clerk for the ensuing year – the following officers were also re-appointed for the ensuing year –

Ellis Gaffney	Treasurer
Samuel R Griffith	Sexton
Chas S. Gaffney	Asst. Sexton
Henry Slade	Librarian
Edwd F Anthony	Asst do

Samuel Gaffney was appointed Librarian in the Treasurer's Report and Report received & Adjourned at the call of the Chair

J B Anthony
Clerk

Sixth Day Evening 1st Mo 4th 1867—
Met at the House of Joel Cadbury
pursuant to a call of the Body—
This Meeting was adjourned to
Meeting on 3th day Evening the 8th inst—

P Bolton Clerk

Third Day Evening 11th mo 8. 1867

Met at Jacob C Anthony's pursuant to adjournment -

The Meeting was called to order by the Clerk who read the 25th Chapt of Discipline

Saml L Buffum appointed to examine the Treasurer's Account & Hand in a report

Saml R. Buffum Auditor of Treasurer reports as follows -

Total Amt received from various Sources	$ 33.09
" expended for Books & Bills	30.20
Balance on Hand	$ 2.89

Saml R. Buffum
Asst Treas

He was instructed the Clerk Show for Treasurer for the ensuing year, which was submitted to the meeting and approved -

Saml L R Buffum reported that he had purchased Bibles which were now in the possession at the disposal of the Association

"The Committee appointed to see about getting a new Library, were instructed to have Cotton, according to their best judgment and report at next sitting of Assn for Friends. Hopkinton

The following committee was appointed to select
suitable Books to be
Jared Newton, Stuba Gifford, Nehemiah
Anthony, Henry Slade, Jamek Buffum
Susan Ann Gifford, Clark Shove, Chas E. Gifford
Mary Eliza Arnold & Saml Gifford, who were
instructed to call upon me to draw for funds
for the purchase of Books
Adjourned to meet at the call of
the Chair
21 August
J. Bartholomew Clerk

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Fifth Day Evening 9 mo. 24, 1867
Met at the House of Joseph
A. Anthony pursuant to adjournment—
The Clerk called the meeting
to order and read the 90th Rule
~~J. A. Anthony was reappointed~~
Clerk for the ensuing year and the
following Officers were reappointed for
the ensuing year
~~Joseph A. Anthony~~ Clerk
~~Charles Lord~~ Treasurer
Samuel R. Pettit Supt
Chas E. Telford Asst "
Edward S. Anthony Librarian
Benj. J. C. Telford Asst "
18 present
Adjourned to meet at the call
of the Superintendent
J. Anthony
Clerk

Fifth Day Session

Dec. 25, 1818.

Met at the House of Joseph C. Anthony at the usual hour of Sept.

The Clerk called the Resolutions to order, and read the 15th Chapt of 1st Corinthians

It was decided to close the 1st day School on the 28th inst and have a vacation and commence School again on the first first day in the 9th month

21 present

Adjourned to meet at the usual place

Sup.

J Bonsall
Clerk

Fifth Day Evening
Feb 13th 30

Pursuant to the adjournment and adjourned till the last fifth day of the 9th Month and adjourned to 2nd day 2nd of the last day on 6th M. 3 hours

Tefft Day Evening
Mar 24th 1882

Met at the call of the Lodge pursuant to adjournment

The Clerk called the Meeting to order and read the 2d Sept. meeting -

The following Officers were appointed for the ensuing year

[illegible] - Clerk
Clark Stone - Treas
C. C. Rockwell - Lodge
Chas. Stafford - Capt
C. J. Rockwell - Lieut
W. L. Stafford Asst

[illegible]

Returned & read at the call of the Superintendent

[illegible]

65

Short Day Session

[illegible] adjournment.

[illegible] the [illegible] by
reading [illegible] Act of Assembly

[illegible]
Guardian [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
Court [illegible]
retain the [illegible]
the term.

[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]

The [illegible] petition [illegible]
granted, and ordered to
be filed on file. Bounty [illegible]
in the hands, at this time, four dollars
[illegible]

No further business coming before the Court
Court adjourned to meet at
call of Clerk

Test Norton Clerk

Left Bay Evening
30th 1815
at the Call of Supt Lieutenant
to a Council
Before entering upon the
business of the evening Bro Hall
Left Esther was made. Bro Hall then
Charge of Office was addressed by our
Supt.
The following Officers were then
appointed for the ensuing year

Fifth-day Evening 9th Mo. 22nd 1870

Friends First-day School Association met at Joseph C. Anthony's at the call of the Superintendent, pursuant to adjournment.

The meeting was opened by reading the 5th chapter of Galatians after which a season of solemn waiting upon the Lord was enjoyed; and the voice of prayer and supplication arose from hearts present for the promotion of His blessed cause in the Land — The time for which the clerk was appointed, having expired, Samuel R. Buffington was appointed clerk for the ensuing year; It was concluded to appoint a committee to present names, at an adjourned meeting to serve the school as officers the ensuing year, viz Phebe S. Gifford, Susan Ann Gifford, and Joseph C. Anthony were appointed for that purpose, Officers to be appointed,

Superintendent
Assistant " "
Treasurer
Librarian
Assistant " "

It is concluded that when we adjourn it be one week from this time, at 7½ Oclock at this place, No present 12.

Adjourned,
Samuel R. Buffington Clerk.

2d the day evening 9 mo" 29 1870

Met pursuant to adjournment, the meeting was opened by reading the 5th chap of 2 Corinthians after which a season of solemn waiting upon the Lord was enjoyed, and the voice of prayer was heard to ascend to our Heavenly Father for His preserving care, over us, and the object for which we have met at this time to promote, that the work may be successfully carried forward in our midst. not only the teaching of His blessed word, but the bringing of souls to Christ.

The committee appointed to present names for Officers to serve the School for the ensuing year presented the following viz ——— Superintendent Samuel R. Appleton

Assistant do ——— ———

Treasurer Edward T. Anthony

Librarian Benj[a] L. C. Gifford

Assistant do Sarah Shove

which being united with are accordingly

appointed to that Station for the ensuing year. The committee report that they are unable to present at this time the name of any one to act as Assistant Superintendent, and it is concluded to refer the same back to the committee for further service, and report at an adjourned meeting. 15 present. Concluded that when we adjourn it be to the call of the Superintendent. Adjourned

Samuel R Buffington Clerk.

Association met in the Sunday school

room. Meeting was opened by reading the

Minutes of last session considered.

Names of persons entitled to

It is concluded that when

we adjourn on Friday Evening the

next session be held at this place.

Adjourned

S. R. Buffington Clerk.

First day afternoon 7th Month 7th 1872
The association met in the First-day School
rooms, At the call of the Superintendent.
Number present 23 & 47
The meeting was opened
by reading the 73 Psalm; The subject under
consideration was the time to adjourn the
First Day School, and it was concluded to
adjourn the School on the 14th inst. and
have a vacation until the 1st of 10th
Month. It is concluded that we
adjourn to meet on fifth day evening the
2d of 9th Month, at 7 O'clock. at this
place. S. R. Buffendon Clerk.

Sixth day Evening 9 mo 26th 1792
Meet pursuant to adjournment
The number present being very small
it was concluded to adjourn, to meet
at this place on sixth day evening
10 mo 3d at 1/2 o'clock PM present Wm
Saml M Ruffinton Clerk

due Quorum (the Supt) & Pres declared from the 1st day of Jan 1883, that they met by satisfaction of Schedule as Rules to determine, for the ensuing year to be accepted -
The Supt then addressed to proceed a Suitable Clerk for the ensuing year upon the Roll — for the ensuing Year - Should present 12 Adjourned to meet at the call of the Supt -

Danl R Buffum
Clerk Pro Tem

Fifth-day Evening 9 mo 25th 1882
The First-day School Association, met as per adjournment at the call of the Supt, at the hour appointed, the Clerk being absent D R Buffum was chosen clerk pro-tem, when the Meeting was opened by the reading of the 23d Psalm. Henry E Chace was nominated for Clerk of the association for the ensuing year

Which being approved of by the
Meeting Chr is accordingly appointed
to this station for the ensuing year
The report of the Treasurer was next
read, which was accepted and ordered
to be placed on file. Balance in
his hands $15 32/100 - The following
named persons were then nominated
and approved of by the meeting as
officers for the ensuing year viz

For Superintendent. Saml R Paffinton
" Asst do Phebe S. Gifford
" Secretary Israel H. Boyd
" Asst. do Abby E. Gifford
" Treasurer Henry E. Chace

Voted to adjourn to meet at the
call of the Supt.

Henry E. Chace
Clerk -

Fifth day evening 10th Mo. 1st 1874

The first day School association met this evening, at the hour appointed by the superintendent. The meting was called to order by the clerk, and opened by the reading of the 112 Psalm Henry E. Chace was elected clerk of the association for the ensuring year. The number present being small it was concluded to adjourn, to meet at this place next first day immediately after the close of the school.

Number present 14

Henry E. Chace
Clerk

First day 10th Mo 5th 1874

The first day school association met pursuant to adjournment, at the call of the Supt. The meeting was opened by the reading of the 86 Psalm. The treasurers report was then read, accepted and ordered to be placed on file. The meeting voted to invest twenty dollars in new books for the library and the following named persons were appointed to examine and purchase the same

Phebe S Gifford
Rebecca Anthony
Benj. S. Gifford
Mary Chace

The following named persons were elected officers for the ensuing year

Supt. Samuel K Buffinton
Asst. do Phebe S Gifford
Librarian Israel H Boyd
Asst do Annie K Buffinton
Treasurer H. E Chace

Voted to adjourn to meet at the call of Supt. H. E. Chace clerk

First day 7th Mo 4th mo 1875

The first day school association pursuant to adjournment at the call of the Supt. at the time appointed. The treasurers report was read, accepted, and placed on file. The meeting then appointed a committee of three, viz. Nathan Chace, C. A. Skinner and Rebecca Anthony, to nominate officers for the year ensuing. This committee to report at the next meeting. The following named persons P. B. Gifford Mary L. Chace Annie K. Buffinton H. E. Chace were chosen to dispose of some books which had been laid aside in the library, to make a report at the next meeting voted to adjourn to meet again at the call of the Supt.

H. E. Chace
Clerk

Fifth day evening 8th mo 19

The first day school association met this evening at 7-15. There being but a few present, they concluded to adjourn until the close of the evening meeting. At 8-30 the meeting was called to order the treasurer's report was read and accepted. Mary R Rowell having bequeathed twenty five dollars to the school (to be invested in books for the library) The meeting decided to place a copy of the article containing the bequest upon the books of the association. A true copy of Article 6th of the last will of Mary R Rowell late of Fall River deceased) I give and bequeath to the Friends Sabbath School Library twenty five dollars. The following named persons were then elected officers for the ensuing year.

Supt. Samuel R Buffinton.
Asst. " Phebe S Gifford.
Librarian Homer Skinner.
Asst. do Annie R Buffinton.
Treasurer Henry E. Chace.

Voted to adjourn to meet again at call of the superintendent H E Chace Clerk

Fifth day evening 9th Mo 7th 1876

The first day school association met this evening at the hour appointed. Number present 12 (the treasurers report was read) and accepted. A committee of three, viz, Sarah Shove Mary A Gifford and H. E. Buffinton was appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year. They presented the following report

Supt Herbert A. Skinner
Ass't " S. R. Buffinton
Librarian Homer Skinner
Ass't " Anne R Buffinton
Clerk & Treasurer H. E. Chase

The report was accepted, and officers elected in accordance with the same with the exception of H A Skinner who did not feel disposed to accept the office of Supt. referred back to the committee they to report at next meeting. A committee of three, viz, Sarah Skinner Phebe S Gifford and Rebecca Anthony, was then appointed to purchase books, or other matter for

the library, the same not to cost more than $25. This committee to report at some future meeting. Voted to adjourn to meet again at the close of the sabbath school next first day.

Henry E. Chace (Clerk)

First day 9th M° 10th 1876

The association met today, after the close of the school, the committee chosen to nominate officers for the ensuing year report that Herbert A Skinner has decided to accept the office of Superintendent. There being no other business on hand voted to adjourn to meet again at the call of the Supt.

H Eben Chace Clerk

83 1877

Fifth day evening 6th Mo 28th

The association met this evening at the time appointed. The meeting was opened by the reading of the 24th Psalm. The first subject under consideration was, shall the ~~close the~~ school have a vacation, and how long, or shall it be continued through the summer. After due consideration of the matter it was thought best for the teachers to get the views of the scholars upon the subject and decide the question next First day. The meeting voted to have a picnic, and a committee of three, viz, Herbert A. Skinner, Mary A. Gifford and Mary L. Chace were appointed to decide upon time, and place, and to make arrangements for the same.* There being no other business before the meeting, adjourned to meet again at the call of Supt.

H. E. Chace, Clerk

* to what the picnic was

First day 7th Mo 1st 1877

The association met to day at the close of the school. After due consideration of the subject, it was decided to continue the school through the 7th month and at the end of that time, if it was thought best, to discontinue it until the first of 9th month. The committee appointed to make arrangements for a picnic, propose that we engage a Steam tug with Barge Hercules (at an expense of not more than thirty five dollars) to carry us to Bailey Grove in South Lighton. The meeting thought favorably of the proposition, and authorized the committee to secure the use grounds and Tug for the occasion. The excursion to take place next 5th day 7th Mo 5th leaving Rodmans wharf at 9 A M. The meeting voted that the fares of members of the school who are not able to bear the expense, be paid from the treasury, adjourned to meet again at the call of the Supt

H. E. Chace Clerk

First day 9th Mo 30th 1877

The association met at the close of the school today, pursuant to adjournment. The treasurer's report read, accepted, and ordered on file. A committee of three, viz Mary L Chace, Nathan Chace, and Abby E Gifford, was appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year. They presented the following report

For Supt. Herbert A Skinner
Asst. " Samuel R Buffinton
Librarian Hosier Skinner
Asst " John Nuttall
Clerk & Treasurer Henry E Chace

The report was accepted and the above named persons were elected officers for the year. ~~1878~~ following. Phebe S Gifford's name was dropped and Bridie E Chace was added to the committee appointed to purchase books for the library. There being no further business, voted to adjourn to meet again at the call of the Supt

H E Chace Clerk

1878

Thursday evening 7th mo 2nd

At a meeting of the association held this evening, it was decided to have an excursion down the bay, returning stop at Mount Hope a few hours. A committee of three, viz H. A. Skinner, S K Buffinton & H E Chace were appointed to make arrangements for the same. Voted that the fare of such members of the school as are not able to bear the expense, be paid from the treasury, Adjourned to meet again at the call of the Sup't

H E Chace Clerk.

First day Ninth Mo 16 1878

The association met today at the close of school the treasurers report was read and accepted. A committee of three viz: Nathan Chace, M. A Gifford and C L Buffinton was appointed to nominate officers for the present year. They made the following report

For Supt H. A Skinner
" Asst " S.R. Buffinton
" Librarian Eddie Buffinton
" Asst " John Nuttal
Clerk & Treasurer H.E Chace

The report was accepted, and the above named persons were elected officers for the year. There being no other business on hand, voted to adjourn to meet again at the call of the Supt. H E Chace clerk

At a meeting of the association held Ninth Mo. 14th 1879, a committee of three viz, Phebe S. Aydelott
Sadie E. Chase
Homer Skinner was appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year. This committee to report at a meeting to be held next First day at the close of the School

Henry E. Chace. Clerk

First day Ninth Mo. 21st 1879

The association met today at the close of the school. The committee appointed to nominate officers for the ensueing year, made the following report.

For Supt. ~~Herbert~~ A S Skinner.
Asst " ~~Phebe S. Aydelott~~ J. F. Sisson.
Librarian Emma Skinner.
Asst " Isabella Nuttall
Clerk & Treasurer H. E. Chace.

The report was accepted, and the above named persons were elected officers for the year, with the exception of J. F. Sisson, who declined the nomination, and Phebe S Aydelott was chosen Asst Supt. The Treasurers report was read, and accepted and ordered on file. There being no other business on hand, voted to adjourn to meet again at the call of the Supt.

H E Chace Clerk

First day Ninth Mo 19th 188

The association met to day at the close of the School. The treasurers report was read and accepted. The following named persons were elected officers for the ensuing year

Superintendent Herbert A Skinner

Ass't do P S Aydelott

Librarian Emma Skinner

Ass't do Isabella Nuttall

Clerk & Treasurer H E Chace

There being no other business on hand, voted to adjourn to meet again at the call of our Superintendent.

Henry E Chace
Clerk

First day Ninth Mo. 25

The association met to day at the appointed time. The treasurers report was read and accepted The following named persons were chosen offiecrs for the present year

Superintendent		Herbert A Skinner
Ass't	do	Phebe S Aydelott
	Librarian	Emma Skinner
do	do	Josephine Chace
Clerk & Treasurer		Henry E Chace

Our Superintendent said that he had filled the office for a number of years, and thought it best not to accept the appointment for the year ensuing. The school was anxious to have him fill the office and a committee viz

Chas L Buffinton
Phebe S Aydelott

was appointed to confer with him, upon the subject, to report next First day at the close of the school. Phebe Newton was

added)

to the committee appointed some time since to purchase books for the library. There was no other business presented and the meeting voted to adjourn to meet at the close of the school next First day

Henry E. Chace
Clerk

First day Tenth Mo. 2 1881

The association met today pursuant to adjournment. The committee reported that Herbert A. Skiming had decided to accept the office of superintendent for the present year Voted to adjourn to meet again at the close of the superintendent

Henry E Chace
Clerk

Ninth Mo 8 1883

The association met today at the close of the school, The treasurers report was read and accepted, The officers for the past year namely,

Supt Herbert A Skinner
Asst do P.S. Aydelott
Librarian Emma Skinner
do do Josie Chace
Clerk & Treasurer H.E. Chace

were all reelected. A committee of three, Marianna Gifford, Phebe E Newton & Marianna Chace was chosen to have charge of the library and to recomend the association from time to time to purchase such book as may seem best to them. Voted to adjourn to again meet at the call of our Superintendent.

Henry E. Chace,
Clerk

Ninth Mo 5th 1883

The association met this evening at seven and half o'clock. The treasurers report was read and accepted. The library committee was appointed for another year with the addition of Emma Skinner. The temperance Committee viz. Herbert Skinner Hannah Chace and Howard Skinner was appointed. The following named persons were elected officers for the ensuing year.

Supt Herbert A Skinner
Asst " Phebe S Wyllie
Librarian Emma Skinner
Asst " Willie Sisson
Clerk & Treasurer H E Chace

Voted to adjourn to meet again at the call of the Supt

H E Chace
Clerk

Ninth Mo 18 1854

The association met this evening at 7½ oclock. — number present 15 — The treasurers report was read and accepted The same library committee was reappointed with the exception of Phebe E. Newton. Henry C Aydelott and Eliza Ann Sisson were made members of the same committee. A committee of three was chosen to nominate officers for the ensuing year, viz. Abbie E Gifford, Charles H Bonsall & Franklin Sisson. Their report presenting the names of the several officers for election was accepted and they were all elected. The temperance committee was reappointed with the addition of Elizabeth S Newton's name. There being no other business on hand voted to adjourn to meet again at the call of our Supt

H & Chace
Clerk

At a meeting of the association held at Elizabeth S Newtons 7th Mo 7th 1885 It was decided to have our School room whitened & painted A committee of four viz

Phebe S Caydelott
Herbert A Skinner
Marianna Gifford
Chas D. Buffinton

was appointed to make arangements for having the work done, and to collect money to pay for the same If there is not enough collected voted to pay the balance from the treasury The committee to report at their convenience, Adjourned to meet again at call of Supt.

H E Chace
Clerk

Seventh Mo. 25th 1885

The association met today at the close of School. The committee appointed at our last meeting, report contributions to the amount of 16.50 They have paid Gronard & Smith fourteen dollars for painting and whitening, and one dollar and sixty five cents for laying carpet and cleaning. This same committee was authorized to purchase a new Supt. desk, the same to be paid for from the schools Treasury. Adjourned to meet at Call of Supt.

H E Chace
Clerk

Ninth Mo 18th 1883

The association met this evening at half past seven, — number present 15 — The treasurers report was read and accepted. The library committee report that 78 books have been sent to the Friends Institute at Maryville Tenn. Twenty five new books have been purchased the past year. Our library now contains 247 Vol. A committee of three viz. Phebe E. Newton, Phebe S Aydelott and Sadie E. Chace was appointed to nominate officers for the ensuing year. They made the following report

For. Superintendent Herbert A Skinner
" Ass't. " Phebe S Aydelott
" Treasurer Henry E Chace
" Clerk Chas H. Buffinton
" Librarian Willie Sisson
" Ass't. " J. E Newton.

Their report was accepted and the above named persons were elected. Mary L Chace was made a member of the library committee, making the number six. Voted that the two oldest members of this committee be

retired) each year, and two members added to fill the vacancies. No other business being presented, voted to adjourn to meet at the call of our Superintendent.

H. E. Chace
Clerk